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FOR: DRUG COMBINATIONS COMPRISING )  
(E)-7-[4-(4-FLUOROPHENYL)-6- )  
ISOPROPYL-2- )  
[METHYL(METHYLSULFONYL) )  
AMINO]PYRIMIDIN-5-YL](3R,5S)- )  
3,DIHYDROXYHEPT-6-ENOIC ACID AND )  
AN INHIBITOR, INDUCER OR )  
SUBSTRATE OF P450 ISOENZYME 3A4 )

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2004, the time for responding to which has been extended to and including November 1, 2004, by the petition and authorization for fee payment submitted herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: